

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 246

January Session, 2007

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AN ACT CONCERNING HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2007) On or before January 1, 2008,
- 2 the Commissioner of Social Services shall apply for a waiver from the
- 3 State Children's Health Insurance Program, under Section 1115 of the
- 4 Social Security Act, 42 USC 1315, as amended from time to time, to
- 5 provide complementary health care coverage to families with children
- 6 with special health care needs for services available through HUSKY
- 7 Plus programs that are not covered by private insurance. Such waiver
- 8 shall provide complementary health care coverage to families with
- 9 private insurance and income at or below three hundred per cent of
- 10 the federal poverty level. Families with private insurance and income
- above three hundred per cent of the federal poverty level may elect to
- buy in to the program. The commissioner may prescribe premium and
- 13 cost sharing requirements for all families participating in the program.
- 14 Funding for such expanded health care coverage shall be provided
- 15 through a reallocation of unspent state children's health insurance plan
- 16 funds.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2007	New section	
HS	Joint Favorable C/R		APP
APP	Joint Favorable Subst.		